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HAPPY TRAILS TO YOU...

Pardners Sight Their Goals!



Howdy Pardners!

The week kicked off with the Explorers participating in the Robbie Levine Lightning World Cup soccer tournament. Groups went head to head on the turf in this fast-paced elimination game. The team who scored the first goal eliminated their opponent from the competition! Finals took place today. Campers in grades 6, 7, and 8 who went on the optional overnight boarded the coach buses Monday and were off on their Capitol Fun trip. They were busy from morning until night with an action-packed itinerary. They took tours of the Newseum and Spy Museum, saw the monuments at night, spent the day at Busch Gardens, followed by a day at Kings Dominion, and returned to The Ranch on Wednesday night.

The Scout Super Showcase was held under the Big Top on Tuesday. Campers dressed in matching outfits; some were made complete with hats, tie-dyed shirts, and sunglasses to accessorize as they sang and danced their way to music of their choice.

Wednesday was 3rd Grade Late Nite. Campers returned to The Ranch for Coleman After Dark which included a scavenger hunt, a swim, and some field activities.

Girls in 5th grade took to the seas for Deep Sea Fishing on Thursday. The campers spent the day with Captain Lou on their chartered boat as they had a “reel-y” good time! The Ranch was filled with families during the annual Family Late Nite Thursday night. Families spent the Coleman After Dark night on The Ranch moving to different activities of their choice. GaGa, climbing the rock wall, boating, and archery were just some of the favorites to choose from. The night was capped off with a high-flying performance atop a trampoline by the “Sky Riders.”

All campers in grades three and older have been competing all summer long in Intramurals games. Today begins the championships and the winners will receive the coveted “Champ at Camp” t-shirts. The soccer fields were bustling today with the kick-off to the Dimitri Invitational soccer tournament for all interested 49ers as well as the

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NOTHING BUT THE NET...in the Robbie Levine Lightning World Cup Championship soccer games. Explorer campers competed all week. The sidelines were filled with cheering fans and Supervisor Andrew provided color commentary on the action, the first goal scored determined the victor.



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finals for the Robbie Levine Lightning World Cup Soccer Tournament. Boys in B6-2/6-3 and girls in G6 enjoyed the day on the high seas Deep Sea Fishing. The oldest boy campers (6/7/8) will spend the night at Citi Field tonight watching the New York Mets take on the Atlanta Braves. “Let’s Go Mets!”... will be the cheers echoed throughout the night!

49er Tourneys "Colemanate"

Next week will be the last of the 49er tournaments for the summer. Each of the tournaments played is named for a beloved supervisor or camp director! The winners for each of these tourneys receive their "Nothing Could Be Finer Than To Be a 49er" T-shirt with the champion box checked off: from the MIB (Margie Invitational Bowling) to the GIT (Gary Invitational Tournament-basketball) to the PIT (Paul Invitational Tournament – tennis) to the RossCup (hockey), to the culminating DIT (Dimitri Invitational Tournament- soccer): the spirit in each of the games is immeasurable as well as the camaraderie, friendships, and trust that is built among the campers trying their personal best.



Morry's Mission Swims On

Next week, campers and staff will continue the annual tradition up at the Swimmin' Holes by swimming for Morry's Camp in a Swim-a-thon. For each lap Pardners and Ranch Hands swim, the Coleman family will donate money to help underserved children attend camp who would not otherwise be able to attend. All campers participate, even those not yet quite swimming on their own, with the help of barbells and swim instructors! The tally will be complete by next week, and we will let you know just how many laps were swum!

Birthday Bash Extravaganza

Next week, Coleman Country will celebrate its milestone 30 year anniversary with a birthday bash! Pardners and Ranch Hands will put on a 30th Birthday Extravaganza with great acts, paying tribute to Coleman Country's history. Everyone will join in as we sing "Happy Birthday," complete with a giant birthday cake to honor 30 great years. Historic pictures will be hung around camp, creating a feeling of nostalgia to honor this great place where children and adults alike Dream Big!!

High Flyers Hightail

A sure sign that Olympics is on the horizon: the red and tan Coleman Country flags have gone missing, fueling speculation about when a breakout will occur! The first time a red flag and a tan flag appear separately, they are in the hands of the Sheriffs and the Marshalls at breakout. They are then hung from the Dream Dome, signaling the separation of teams, and that Olympics has officially begun!

Keep searching for those red and tan flags! Olympics 2012 can break out at any moment. We cannot wait for the sports, spirit, sportsmanship, and fun of Olympics on The Ranch!

On The Horizon

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Mon., Aug. 13 Project Morry's Swim-a-Thon
Camper's Choice B6, G6
Beach or Laser Tag

Tues., Aug. 14 Wet n' Wild
Monster Golf B5

Weds., Aug. 15 Camper's Choice B7/8, G7/8
Adventureland or Laser Tag
Monster Golf G5

Thurs., Aug. 16 Happy 30th Birthday
Coleman Country!





FAMILY NIGHT WAS A BALL!...Families came back to The Ranch for a night under the lights. Competition was keen as parents challenged campers and vice versa in all different activities around camp. Concluding Coleman After Dark, the "Sky Riders" took to the air as they jumped, bounced, and flipped on a trampoline.